

## PRESIDENT PLANS TO SAVE MILLIONS

Submits Report of His Economy and Efficiency Commission.

### BUSINESS METHODS URGED

Economies Recommended Would Result in Saving of Over \$10,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The President today submitted to Congress a message transmitting the report of the commission on Economy and Efficiency, a memorandum of Jan. 25, 1912, made available to the public by the President, by the employment of assistants and experts, to inquire into the methods of transacting public business with a view to the inauguration of new methods or changes in old ones, and to bring greater efficiency and economy.

The President expresses the belief that the commission has been handicapped because additional appropriations were not sufficient for the work. \$75,000 having been added, as against a request for \$250,000.

"The only safe course," says the President, "was first to obtain accurate knowledge of the vast administrative mechanism of the Government; get a clear notion of what the officers and agents of the Government were doing in all of its departments, bureaus and divisions; find out how each part of the service was organized for performing its activities; what methods are being employed, what results are being obtained, where there are duplications of work and plant, wherein the organization and methods are ill adapted or ill adjusted."

The changes recommended by the commission carry definite estimates of savings amounting to several millions of dollars annually and "other economies still larger in amount for which no definite estimates were made."

"In the opinion of the commission," says the President, "an estimated saving of over \$10,000,000 a year can ultimately be made by favorable action on the changes in methods which are recommended in the six offices of the War Department alone."

"As illustrating the relative importance of services outside of Washington," the President continues, "it is of interest to note that the cost of clerk hire at the New York post office alone is more than that incurred in the departments of War, Navy, State, Justice, and Commerce and Labor at Washington, and that in the custom house at New York the cost of clerk hire is greater than in any one department at Washington."

The memorandum estimates economies to be realized from recommended changes in law or by executive action amounting by legislation at \$2,750,000, and that from changes in methods of appointments at \$4,512,000.

On this last named point, the report says:

"The recommended change in methods of appointment would take a large part of the officers of the Government from local politics by making the personnel subject to central discipline and the part of employees dependent on the efficiency with which service is rendered. This would doubtless result in many millions of savings each year other than those which will be directly assignable to the abolition of sinecures."

The present office force of the Adjutant-General's office is 613, with aggregate authorized salaries of \$758,570. The report recommends reductions respectively to 350 and \$480,020.

The commission commends the work of the former Adjutant-General for "briskness and order out of chaos in the personnel records of the army," but adds that "the office force was found to be widely scattered and the personnel of the different units of organization so located that the work cannot be done to advantage."

### EXPRESS RATES WON'T BE CUT

Companies Tell Men to Fight Post by Giving Good Service.

Officers of the Wells Fargo Express Company said yesterday that the report from San Francisco that the company was preparing to fight the parcel post through rate cutting was without foundation. The Wells Fargo company has no such intention, it was said, and is contemplating no reduction of rates.

It was pointed out that its attitude is best evidenced in the instructions to employees to be sent out to-day. This reads:

"The parcel post becomes a competitor not only of the company but of every man in its service. Hence the customer as an important factor in parcel transportation is neither to be belittled nor overestimated, but to be renewed efforts on the part of Wells Fargo men to maintain the company's standard of service as the basis of public favor and patronage."

The Adams Express Company has issued a circular to its employees along similar lines.

The heads of the Adams and the American Express companies said that their companies had no intention of lowering rates to meet the parcel post.

### NAT GOODWIN FIGHTS VERDICT

\$5000 Judgment Obtained by Former Manager Is Set Aside.

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### ADmits NEW YORK ROBBERY

Alleged Burglar in Baltimore Tells of Getting \$400 Here.

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The case will be tried this week.

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## BIG COAL CONCERNS UNDER ONE CHARTER

Burns and Curtis-Blaisdell Merged, With Capital of \$7,000,000.

Amalgamation of the two largest retail coal companies of this city, the Burns Bros. Company and the Curtis-Blaisdell Company, in a new \$7,000,000 corporation, the Burns Bros. Company, was effected yesterday by incorporation at Trenton, N. J. The object of the consolidation is to reduce operating expenses by having coal pockets at place in the city from which coal can be distributed at the minimum of cost for cartage, handling and other operations. It was said that the profit in the retail coal business averages about 15 cents a ton and the success of a company depends upon its ability to reduce cost of distribution.

The new corporation will be headed by Michael F. Burns, president of the old Burns company. The vice-presidents will be Francis L. Burns and A. M. Henry, vice-presidents of the old Burns company. Grove Curtis, president of the Curtis-Blaisdell Company, and Solomon Schatzkin, Treasurer of the Curtis-Blaisdell Company, will be treasurer of the new corporation. The directorate will be practically an amalgamation of the two directorates of the old companies.

The stock will consist of \$2,000,000 7 per cent cumulative preferred and \$5,000,000 common. The old Burns Bros. Company was capitalized at \$1,500,000.

All the present coal pockets owned by the consolidating companies will be retained under the arrangement. The principal pockets of the old Burns company are at Delancey street and Thirty-second street and the East River and at Thirty-eighth street and 133d street on the North River. The important pockets of the Curtis-Blaisdell Company are at Fifty-sixth street and 118th street and the East River and at Ninety-sixth street and the North River.

## TEA BROKER ARRESTED.

Young Englishman Accused by an Importer of Grand Larceny.

Archibald Davidson, a young Englishman who has a tea brokerage office at 21 Wall street, is under arrest in Brooklyn on a charge of grand larceny and will have a hearing before Magistrate Voorhees in the Fifth avenue court next Monday. Meanwhile he will have to remain in jail in default of \$3,000 bail fixed by the Magistrate.

Leopold Baling, manager for a tea importing concern, with warehouses at the Bush Dock, is the complainant in the case. He alleges that on October 18 the broker called on him and claimed that he had a purchase for 100 cases of tea, valued at \$2,164.40, and that the consignment was turned over to him with the understanding that payment would be made within a few days. Davidson, as alleged, instead of selling the tea, obtained a \$200 loan from the Bank of New York, giving the tea as security, and has since refused payment for it.

When he was arrested on a warrant at his office on Tuesday he made a strong protest, declaring that the whole matter was a civil one. He first gave his address as 321 Dean street, but later said that he lived at the Hotel St. George. It was learned at the hotel that he went there on Sunday last.

## LAWRENCE PERIN HELD SANE.

Was Put Away by Family After Escapades in 1910.

Lawrence Perin, a wealthy young man of Baltimore, who has lived in New York and attracted attention through his escapades before his family had him adjudged insane here in 1910, was declared sane yesterday by Justice Amend.

The court accordingly discharged Mrs. Ella Keck Perin as committee of Perin's property.

Dr. Thomas L. Shearer, the Perin family physician, made affidavit that the young man has fully recovered.

Perin, who is about 30 years old, was married before he was 20 to Jane Gorton Sartori, daughter of Gen. Victor A. Sartori. She committed suicide in 1908 and left an infant son. Later Perin went to Spain and squandered about \$75,000. He got the idea that King Alfonso had given him power of life and death. The United States Consul brought him home.

Perin's father left \$200,000, which he shared with his brother Oliver, and his sister, the wife of Julian Story.

## DEMAND ARCHBALD'S REMOVAL AS UNFIT

House Managers Bitterly Denounce Judge in Closing Arguments.

### DOUSTER SEEMS SURE

Senators Predict Impeachment by 4 to 1 Vote—Punishment Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Judge Robert W. Archibald of the United States Commerce Court sat for five hours to-day in the Senate a patient listener to a bitter recital by House managers of his alleged offences against the judicial office.

"We ask you to remove this man from office," exclaimed Representative Sterling of Illinois, who opened the argument on behalf of the House managers. "Remove him from the office in which you have placed him, because he has dishonored it, and strip from him the emblems with which he is clothed, because he has sullied it."

Despite the severity of this speech and others Judge Archibald maintained his composure.

Others who spoke for the House managers were Representatives Webb of North Carolina, Floyd of Arkansas and Howland of Ohio.

"The greatest evil of the course of conduct by Judge Archibald is in its effect on the public mind," said Mr. Sterling in concluding his argument. "The times are pregnant with the sentiment that there is corruption in high places, justified in some instances and not in others, but in the case of Judge Archibald it seems to me that the part of the Constitution relating to impeachment is on trial."

"If Judge Archibald is not convicted and removed from office the verdict will be that the Constitution is a failure and that when a man commits offences of the character he has committed the people have no redress and are bound to submit to his rule and domination on and on until he commits some indelible offence or until he dies."

"Now that is not the Constitution. The Constitution says he shall hold office during good behavior, and what constitutes good behavior is the standard to be fixed by every Senator for himself. That is the measure you are to take of Judge Archibald to-day. We are not asking you to measure Judge Archibald by the standard of the greatest judges. We are asking you to measure him by the average judge, State and national, and will you say he measures up to the average judge?"

When you have said that, you have said that the judiciary of the country is unworthy of the confidence and respect of the people."

Representative Webb was even more severe.

"Many a man," said he, "has served in the chain gang for less offences than those admitted by this Judge Archibald. If his offences are not indictable in a criminal court, they should be and such offence may be made indictable by legislation resulting from this trial."

Representative Howland in a concluding argument dealt entirely with the legal side of the case. He contended that Judge Archibald was liable under the impeachment clause in the Constitution for offences committed while he was a District Judge as well as for the offences while on the Commerce Court.

It was the general opinion around the Senate at the end of the arguments that Judge Archibald would be impeached. The highest estimate of his strength was twenty votes and the best judgment appeared to be that the vote would be about four to one in favor of impeachment.

As to the penalty to be imposed there was a difference of opinion. Some Senators expressed the opinion that the Senate should vote for removal, but should not add the disqualification for holding any office under the United States.

### STILL REBATING, SAYS SMITH.

"Found Men Right in the Back Yard of Commerce Commission."

Herbert Knox Smith, who turned Progressive resigned as President Taft's Commissioner of Corporations and vainly ran for Governor of Connecticut, says rebating by corporations is still going on.

"Just before I left the Taft administration," he said last night to the members of the Finance Forum of West Side Y. M. C. A., "I went right into the back yard of the Interstate Commerce Commission and found rebating. I could take a month off now and find a batch of them."

He added, however, that this did not indicate failure for Federal regulation of corporations. Eventually, he thought, rebating would be practically wiped out.

Mr. Smith declared the enforcement of the Sherman law by court decisions like those in the Standard Oil and American Tobacco cases was an economic absurdity. He credited high efficiency and economy, as well as control of prices, to the Standard Oil Company, the Steel Corporation and the American Tobacco Company.

William W. Miller of Hornblower, Miller & Potter talked about "The Regulation of Security Issues."

## CLAWS WAY FROM LIVING TOMB.

Man Wears Fingers to the Bone Digging Out of Coal Pile.

FRANKLIN PERKINS, N. J. Jan. 8.—Fighting to dig his way out of a pile of coal that threatened to engulf him, Jacob Grover, who works for the New Jersey Zinc Company, wore the ends of his fingers raw by his frantic digging.

He was caught in a slide of coal at the company's chute yesterday afternoon and struggled for five hours before fellow workmen discovered his plight.

At one time he was entirely buried by the coal, but when rescued he had his head out of the pile.

## SUBWAY BLAST KILLS 1, HURTS 4.

Overlooked Charge of Dynamite Explodes Under Lexington Ave.

The explosion yesterday of an overlooked charge of dynamite in the excavation at Lexington avenue and 103d street for the Lexington avenue subway killed Edward Cody, an assistant foreman, and injured four workmen.

The accident called attention to the fact that although 6,000 engineers and laborers have been digging steadily for a year under the streets of Manhattan only seven lives have been lost.

Cody and a squad of laborers were at work thirty feet under the surface trying to correct a defect in the electrical wiring which had prevented the explosion of a charge of dynamite.

Alfred Dalrymple, a foreman, and Cody were trying to withdraw the fuse when the explosion came. Cody was hurled against the rocky wall and was killed. Dalrymple, who is 49 years old and who lives at 125 East 120th street, William Kallagher, 38 years old, of 1217 Franklin avenue, the Bronx, Joseph Schatzke, 19 years old, of 2220 Herman avenue, the Bronx, and Michael Murphy, 46 years old, of 2220 Fifth avenue, were burned and bruised.

The injured men were taken to Harlem Hospital.

## CUNARDER CARMANIA RODE 100 MILE GALE

Encountered "Mountainous" Seas, According to Veteran Skipper.

The Cunarder Carmania, in yesterday from Liverpool and Queenstown, more than two days behind her winter schedule, met weather on her way that never has been exceeded in the fury of January upheavals. She is an eighteen knotter in pleasant seas, and her average in the tempests of her slowest trip, finished yesterday, was 12.87 knots. Her passengers felt so good over getting out of the tumult that they gave a testimonial letter to Capt. J. C. Barr, telling him how fine a navigator he is and how glad they were that they had got back to solid earth unharmed.

The impression of all the officers of the liner is that they had at times a blast that might be classified as of force, or about 100 miles. It is seldom a real deep sea skipper calls seas "mountainous," but that's the way Capt. Barr tried to give his opinion of the waves that leaped aboard his ship. The captain declined to verify a report that the Carmania had gone almost on her beam ends in the worst of the storm; but he admitted that the wings of the bridge—that is, the starboard and port end of it—occasionally dipped into the crests when the big ship was forced into the trough by the fury of the gale.

The wonder is that nobody was hurt, although nearly everybody, except the veterans among crew and passengers, was seasick. Even in the tumult gamblers equipped with loaded dice persuaded passengers in the smoking room

## WILL BE A NEW OLYMPIC.

Her Reconstruction, the Line Believes, Will Make Her Unsinkable.

The White Star liner Olympic, which is undergoing reconstruction at the Belfast yards of Harland & Wolff, will return to service on April 2, when she is scheduled to sail from Southampton for this port. Despatches received yesterday by the International Mercantile Marine Company at this port show that she will be of much heavier tonnage than heretofore; that she even may be classified as the next biggest ship in the Atlantic trade.

The Olympic will have transverse bulkheads that will extend forty feet above the water line and her double bottom will be continued to a point above the sea that the line believes will make her really unsinkable. The new bulkheads and the new inner skin of the big ship, the line declares, "will increase her flotation capacity to the utmost and enhance the margin of safety provided in the Olympic far beyond all recognized standards."

## DEPUTIES OUT OF AMBULANCES.

Polyclinic Makes Terms With Money Lenders Who Got Judgment.

Dr. John A. Wyeth, founder and president of the New York Polyclinic Hospital and Medical School in West Fifth street, made an arrangement yesterday with Nathan and Moses Packard, money lenders, who got judgment against the hospital for \$25,000 on a claim assigned by a contractor, by which the judgment will be settled. Sheriff Harbinger, who had levied on the hospital ambulances, was directed to call off his deputies who had been riding around in the ambulances in order to remain in constructive possession of them.

Dr. Wyeth said the three motor ambulances attached by the Sheriff were in constant use and that they were given to him by friends. The hospital association failed to settle the judgment because of an appeal, it was said.

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## SCHWAB HAS NEW ENTERPRISE.

Nature of It Will Not Be Divulged Until He Returns From Europe.

The report that Charles M. Schwab had completed arrangements for an important new enterprise, enlisting interests in the United States, France and South America, was confirmed here yesterday, but the nature of the enterprise was not divulged. It was said that an announcement of his plan will have to come from Mr. Schwab, who sailed yesterday for New York.

One rumor had it that a large steel plant was to be established in Brazil for which the Brazilian Government had granted a subsidy. Another story was that Mr. Schwab has concluded plans for amalgamating the steel companies of Canada with certain corporations of the United States. Both stories were denied by associates of Mr. Schwab.



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